

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 65th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Call to Order: Chair Edward Greef, on March 9, 2017 at 3:00 PM, in Room 172 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Edward Greef, Chair (R)
Rep. Forrest Mandeville, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Kathy Swanson, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Kim Abbott (D)
Rep. Laurie Bishop (D)
Rep. Geraldine Custer (R)
Rep. Mary Ann Dunwell (D)
Rep. Dave Fern (D)
Rep. Ross H. Fitzgerald (R)
Rep. Frank Garner (R)
Rep. Bruce Grubbs (R)
Rep. Steve Gunderson (R)
Rep. Jessica Karjala (D)
Rep. Kathy Kelker (D)
Rep. Steve Lavin (R)
Rep. Derek Skees (R)
Rep. Jeremy Trebas (R)
Rep. Barry Usher (R)
Rep. Susan Webber (D)

Members Excused:

Rep. Amanda Curtis (D)
Rep. Denise Hayman (D)
Rep. Adam Hertz (R)
Rep. Daniel Zolnikov (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Ginger Aldrich, Legislative Branch
Margot Miltenberger, Committee Secretary

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 79, 2/24/2017; SB 177, 2/24/2017
Executive Action on: SB 2; SB 189

HEARING ON SB 177

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:03:29 Sen. Roger Webb (R), SD 23, opened the hearing on SB 177, Revise authority of self-governing local governments.

Proponents:

00:05:48 John Sinrud, Montana Landlords Association
EXHIBIT(loh49a01)

Opponents: None

Informational Witnesses: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:09:03 Rep. Kelker
00:10:25 Sen. R. Webb

Closing by Sponsor:

00:11:28 Sen. R. Webb

HEARING ON SB 79

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:13:30 Sen. Steve Fitzpatrick (R), SD 10, opened the hearing on SB 79, Revise laws regarding rural improvement districts for road maintenance.

Proponents:

00:16:48 Linda Stoll, Missoula County
00:18:06 Taylor Oldroyd, Montana Association of Realtors (MAR)

Opponents: None

Informational Witnesses: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:19:13 Rep. Fern
00:20:38 Sen. Fitzpatrick
00:21:30 Rep. Mandeville
00:24:19 Sen. Fitzpatrick
00:25:04 Rep. Dunwell
00:26:21 Sen. Fitzpatrick
00:27:41 Rep. Usher
00:29:57 Sen. Fitzpatrick
00:31:10 Rep. Custer
00:33:02 Sen. Fitzpatrick
00:33:43 Rep. Mandeville
00:35:26 Sen. Fitzpatrick
00:35:58 Chair Greef
00:36:17 Sen. Fitzpatrick

Closing by Sponsor:

00:37:29 Sen. Fitzpatrick

00:39:22 Recessed

00:51:42 Reconvened

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 2

00:52:21 **Motion:** Rep. Mandeville moved that **SB 2 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

00:52:41 Rep. Kelker

00:53:22 Chair Greef

00:53:52 Rep. Usher

00:54:25 Rep. Bishop

00:54:44 Rep. Mandeville

00:55:08 **Vote:** Motion carried 20-3 by voice vote with Rep. A. Hertz, Rep. Mandeville and Rep. Zolnikov voting no. Rep. A. Hertz and Rep. Zolnikov voted by proxy. Rep. Loge will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 189

00:56:01 **Motion:** Rep. Mandeville moved that **SB 189 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

00:56:15 Rep. Curtis

00:57:25 **Vote:** Motion carried 12-11 by roll call vote with Rep. Abbott, Rep. Bishop, Rep. Curtis, Rep. Custer, Rep. Dunwell, Rep. Fern, Rep. Hayman, Rep. Karjala, Rep. Kelker, Rep. Swanson and Rep. Webber voting no. Rep. A. Hertz and Rep. Zolnikov voted by proxy. Rep. Skees will carry the bill.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 01:04:56

Margot Miltenberger, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([loh49aad.pdf](#))